

**MILLIS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 8, 2021
VIRTUAL/REMOTE MEETING VIA ZOOM PLATFORM**

The remote ZOOM meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mr. Nathan Maltinsky, Chair.

Members present: Nathan Maltinsky, Chair
 Wendy Barry, Treasurer
 David Baker , At-Large Member
 Carol Hayes, Conservation Commission Rep.
 James McKay, At-Large Member
 Pamela Rheaume-Mustard, Recreation Dept. Rep.
 Nicole Riley, Planning Board Rep.
 Erin Underhill, Select Board Rep.
 Catherine MacInnes, Finance Comm. Liaison

Members absent:

Also present: James McCaffrey, Select Board Chair
 Craig Schultz, Finance Committee
 Peter Jurmain, Select Board
 Wayne Klocko, Permanent Building Comm.
 Diane Jurmain, Permanent Building Comm.

Lansing Millis Memorial Building Stabilization Project (File No. 2021-001), Cont. Select Board – Erin Underhill

Ms. Underhill, representing the Select Board, summarized the application for funding for exterior renovations to the Lansing Memorial Building at 64 Exchange Street. Funding for work deemed necessary to stabilize the building is being sought, she said. If the building is stabilized now, the Town can look into a future use of the building. Ms. Underhill stated that no decision has been made on final use of the building at this point in time. The stabilization project cost estimate total is \$363,887.00. The funding request is for the total amount from the Community Preservation’s Historic Preservation and other reserve accounts.

A site visit was conducted by some of the Community Preservation Committee members on Saturday, March 28, 2021. The CPC conducted the site visit with members of the Permanent Building Committee. Mr. Maltinsky summarized the site visit.

Some other funding options were discussed. The possibility of \$49,000.00 “left over” from the Clyde Brown roof repairs from 2017 was presented by Mr. McCaffrey. The re-allocation of these funds would have to be voted on at a future Town Meeting. Mr. McCaffrey stated that the intent of the Select Board is to find a way to preserve the building; there is “no specific road map yet” as to how to utilize the building.

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There was discussion regarding the unknown costs for improvements/upgrades to the interior of the building. Some CPC members were of the opinion that the quote for the stabilization work was too high and could potentially be done for much less money. Mr. Baker stated that he does not support the full amount requested without a “road map” of how the building will be used. Mr. McKay suggested that the building remain secured and asked that the Select Board/PBC come back with three bids as required as part of the CPA funding requests. Mr. Maltinsky agreed and stated that not having a plan in place is a deterrent. The amount of funds requested would “wipe out” the CPC’s Historic Resource and other funding budgets, he said. If that is done, the CPC could reconsider the proposal for November Town Meeting.

On a motion made by Ms. Barry, seconded by Ms. Riley, it was voted unanimously to **deny** the Lansing Memorial Building Stabilization funding request as presented by the Millis Select Board. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Baker – aye; Barry – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Mustard – aye; Riley - aye.

Other Business:

Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. McKay, seconded by Ms. Hayes, it was voted unanimously to approve the ZOOM meeting minutes of March 25, 2021 as written. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Baker – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Underhill - aye.

Annual Televised Meeting

The annual CPC televised meeting will be Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 7:00 PM.

Adjourn

There being no further discussion and, on a motion, made by Ms. Underhill, seconded by Ms. Mustard, and voted unanimously, the ZOOM meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. By Roll Call Vote: Maltinsky – aye; Baker – aye; Barry – aye; Hayes – aye; McKay – aye; Mustard – aye; Riley – aye; Underhill – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Standley
Administrative Assistant